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On April 12 – 15, the Mater Dei High School Supermileage Team will be traveling to the California Speedway in Fontana, California to compete in the Shell Eco-Marathon. The team, comprised of 13 high school students, will be taking 2 cars and 10 team members to the event. Once at the competition, the Mater Dei Supermileage Team will join a high school from California as two of the only high schools in the event and will be competing against such institutions as Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, Cal Polytechnic University, Louisiana State University, Penn State University, University of California Los Angeles, and Purdue University.

The challenge is to build a one person vehicle that will travel the set distance on the least amount of fuel.

While in California, the team hopes to break barriers and achieve its highest mileage ever. Through the hard work of team members and the institution of new technology on the car, the team hopes to greatly surpass the 1,897 miles per gallon it achieved last June at the SAE Supermileage Competition. Overall, the team hopes to perform well and, hopefully, bring home a championship.

On Wednesday evening, April 4<sup>th</sup>, the team will be packing their cars for shipment to California.

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